Remarks

Applicants are replying to the Examiner's Advisory Action issued in response to the amendment after final rejection filed on July 18, 2005.

The Examiner has stated that the proposed amendments to claims 16 and 18 raise new issues particularly in view of the elimination of the phrase "at least one layer of conductive material overlying said conductive seed layer and completely covering said conductive seed layer including all exposed edges." This phrase was inadvertently omitted by Applicants and has now been included by means of this supplemental amendment. As now written, it is believed that amended claim 16 merely makes previously dependent claim 16 independent claim 16. All of the arguments which were made in the previously filed amendment after rejection apply.

Accordingly, it is believed that each of the claims now in the application is distinguishable one over the other and over the prior art. Therefore, reconsideration and allowance of the claims now in the application are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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